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In re Application of: Martin T. Gerber et al. Group Art Unit: 3762  
Application No.: 09/843,051 Examiner: George R. Evanisko  
Filing Date: April 26, 2001 Due Date:  
For: Single and Multi-Polar Implantable Lead for Sacral Nerve Electrical Stimulation

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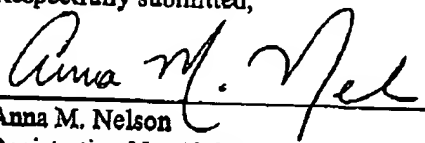
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 3-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed October 19, 2004. Please charge Deposit Account Number 13-2546 in the amount of \$120.00 for the one-month extension fee.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 19, 2005

  
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PATENT PROSECUTION

**Request  
FOR  
Continued Examination (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, Provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application No.:	09/843,051
Filing Date:	4/26/2001
First Named Inventor:	Martin T. Gerber
Group Art Unit:	3762
Examiner Name:	George Evanisko
Attorney Docket No.:	P-8436.03U.S.

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.  
**Note:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-2546
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) - \$790.00
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) - \$120.00
- iii. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_ - \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed
- c. ☒ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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